Tread Lightly!

<u>T</u>ravel and recreate with minimum impact

Respect the environment and the rights of others

Educate yourself--plan and prepare before you go

<u>A</u>llow for future use of the outdoors--leave it better than you found it

<u>D</u>iscover the rewards of responsible recreation

Partners Special thanks to:

- State Parks OHV Program
- CDOT
- Eagle County
- Eagle Valley Sport Riders

Natural Resources in the area

Riparian Habitats, like Milk Creek Canyon, provide important habitat for a variety of wildlife.

Milk Creek is home to deer, elk, mountain lion, song birds, ground squirrels, rabbits, coyotes, skunks, and raptors such as prairie falcons, coopers hawks and golden eagles. Bald eagles are known to hunt here.

Motorized vehicle use disturbs wildlife, often causing them to abandon the area for less suitable habitat, or areas that are already occupied. By riding in areas that are not as sensitive, you help to protect wildlife.

<u>The Sediment Traps</u> on Bocco Mountain were built in 1966 and 1983 to reduce sediment load into the Eagle river. Sedimentation is the result of soil erosion and reduces water quality and damages fish habitat. Riding on the traps damages them and reduces their ability to prevent sedimentation.

By staying on the designated trails away from the sediment traps you help to preserve water quality and fish habitat.

<u>Cultural:</u> Ancient artifacts are rare and important resources. That's why they are protected by law. The designated trails at Bocco were designed to avoid significant cultural sites. That way future generations have these resources to study and learn from.

You can help protect this precious resource by staying on designated trails. And if you see a artifact, always leave it exactly where you found it, and contact the BLM.

Trail Information

There are 18 miles of single track trail open to non-motorized uses and motorcycles only. Roads are 2-track and open to all vehicles. Bocco Mountain is closed to motorized use December 1 through April 30.

Some trails have been identified as One-Way routes, at the request of riders. Please ride these routes in the suggested direction to increase safety.

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